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TOPIC Airfield and Air Force Depot at Strausberg

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REMARKS

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1. The Strausberg (N 53/V 15) airfield was occupied by 40 twin-engine re-2s. Individual planes had a small cockpit behind and higher than the pilot's cockpit. This second cockpit, which was vertical in front and streamlined to the rear, was plexiglass only at the front. (1)
2. Many formation flights were made on 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26 and 30 June 1950. The weather was rainy between 27 and 29 June 1950.
3. The radio station at Gieltsdorf (N 53/V 16) was still in use. (2) Searchlights were observed in operation at night from the direction of Eberswalde (N 53/V 08). There was a pause of about five minutes after five rotations. (3)
4. Thirty radio trucks which had arrived by rail were driven to the air force depot during the night of 23 June 1950. (4) The fuel for the field allegedly came from Leuna by tank trucks. (5)

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Comments.

- (1) The occupation of the airfield has not changed since May and June 1950. One bomber regiment is still believed to be stationed there. The regiment is equipped with PE-2s, some of which have two cockpits. It cannot be judged whether these planes, the model designation of which is not known, are employed for special purposes.
- (2) The radio station was described before by the same source.

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- (3) The searchlights were probably used in connection with night flights by the fighter regiments stationed in Finow.

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- (4) This is the first information on the arrival of radio trucks.
(5) The report does not indicate whether the fuel is for motor vehicles or aircraft. To date, it has not been reported that the Leuna plant supplied aircraft fuel to airfields in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

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